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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No.	PO-8096/MD-00-110	
First Inventor	Karsten Danielmeier	: O
Title	PROCESS FOR PREPARING ASPARTATES	43 43
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.	ADDRESS TO: Mail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450						
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FEE TRANSMITTAL	Application Number	To be Assigned		
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Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.	First Named Inventor	Karsten Danielmeier		
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1001 770	2001 385 Utility filing fee	1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1002 340	2002 170 Design filing fee 770.00	1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1003 530	2003 265 Plant filing fee	1402	330	2402	165	Filing brief in support of an appeal	
1004 770	2004 385 Reissue filing fee	1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1005 160	2005 80 Provisional filing fee	1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
Ì	SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 770.00	1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
		1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE		1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
	Extra Claims below Fee Paid	1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee	
Total Claims Independent	-20** =   X	1503	640	2503	320	Plant issue fee	
Claims	2 - 3** =     X   =	1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
Multiple Depe	ndent =	1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
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1203 290	2203 145 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be	
1204 86 2204 43 ** Reissue independent claims		1001	770	2004	205	examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	<del> </del>
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